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EXPLAINING HIS ACTION.

MR HOWLAND AND THE ALLEGED COAL CONSPIRATORS.

A City Council Passes a Grant of $500 to Defray Preliminary Costs—Ald. Defoe Declares that the City Solicitor is a Degraded Man and Ought to Resign.

An air of solemnity hovered over the City Council chamber last night. It was known that Mayor Howland would ask for an appropriation of money to pay preliminary expenses incurred in the alleged coal conspiracy trials. This, it was naturally expected, would afford some of the aldermen an opportunity to give vent to their feelings on His Worship's course in opening up the case against the accused. And so it proved to be.

At 7 o'clock the Executive Committee met in their room, with Ald. Defoe in the chair, and after some discussion agreed to report favorably this recommendation to the Council:

"Your committee has had an interview with His Worship the Mayor with reference to proceedings which have been instituted to investigate certain alleged frauds in connection with the waterworks coal supply, and, in view of the necessity which existed for prompt action, recommend that the expenses and costs of the preliminary proceedings to the extent of $500 in the way of employing detectives and retaining counsel, which His Worship felt constrained to take, receive the endorsement of the Council."

When the Council met at 7.30 Mayor Howland read this message to the twenty-nine aldermen present:

"*Gentlemen of the Council:* "Some time ago I received information that there had been collusion between P. Burns, contractor for coal to the waterworks in parts of the years 1883-4-5 and the engineer at the pumping-house, John H. Venables, resulting in serious loss to the city. I placed the matter in the hands of the police authorities, and through them received certain sworn information of a most definite character. This I submitted to Deputy Attorney-General Johnson and was informed by him that in my position as mayor I could not overlook it. At his suggestion Mr. Hugh McMahon, Q.C., was instructed by me, and at my request the Attorney-General joined in the instruction, to assist the acting crown-attorney, Mr. Galbraith, in the matter. The evidence was then laid before them, which according to their view disclosed a conspiracy to defraud the city, and in accordance with the conclusion the arrests were made, thus bringing the matter into the regular courts. Personally I am convinced by the evidence that great wrong has been done to the city; it is not however proper for me to say more in regard to a case now sub judice, but I feel certain that nothing but good to the city can result from a searching inquiry into all the facts. I found it necessary to suspend J. H. Venables, as it would not have been prudent to have left him in charge of the water supply of the city while such a serious accusation was pending against him. I shall also request the Council to include as reasons for his suspension:

"Kicking a fallen man.

"His responsibility as to numerous breakdowns of engines and machinery.

"His responsibility as to departures from the specifications by the contractor in the case of the new steel boilers which he was supposed to have under supervision in the first instance.

"His responsibility as to ordering from Messrs. Inglis & Hunter work to the value of $900 without authority of council.

"His neglect in not carrying out the chairman of the committee's instructions with regard to keeping boilers clean, such neglect resulting in waste and loss to the city, as shown by Mr. Robb's report reflecting on the engineer. I am also of the opinion that the condition of the engines at the waterworks should be examined into by competent judges. The Worthingtons complain bitterly of the way their engines are handled, and say: 'We have long pointed to the record of Toronto as showing how under poor management or poor fuel the most economical, most refined type of pumping machinery can be made to exhibit shockingly poor results.' They demand an investigation and propose to bear the expense of the same unless a saving results therefrom to the city. I strongly urge the need of this investigation, both with regard to the old and new engines, and I fear unless they are carefully overhauled there will be a disaster.

W. H. HOWLAND."

In the ordinary course of the proceedings of the Council the recommendation of the Executive for a grant of $500 was reached in Committee of the Whole, Ald. John Woods being in the chair. No sooner had the chairman read the report than Ald. Walker arose and offered this amendment, and he had Ald. Pepler for a seconder:

That the clause in report No. 32 of the Executive be struck out, and the following be inserted in lieu thereof: "Your committee beg to report that His Worship the Mayor has requested that the sum of $500 be placed at his disposal for the purpose of defraying expenses and costs in the investigation that he has instituted with reference to alleged frauds in connection with the waterworks coal supply. While your committee does not endorse the action of the Mayor in proceeding as he has done, without consulting any member of the City Council or the City Solicitor, still it recommends that the sum of $500 be appropriated for the purpose of defraying the cost in connection with said investigation."

Ald. Macdonald was the first to get back at Ald. Walker, and he cried out, "Lost, lost. That amendment simply means a vote of censure on His Worship."

Mayor Howland said he hoped there would be no discussion on the amendment. He merely wished a silent vote.

Ald Walker said he was constrained to make an explanation. The Executive Committee gladly agreed to vote the Mayor the $500 asked by him to defray the preliminary costs in these trials, yet several of the members felt very strongly on the fact that His Worship had seen fit to totally ignore the Council and the City Solicitor when he decided to have Mr. Burns and the other gentlemen arrested. Was it possible the Mayor could not trust them?

Ald. Shaw followed in a similar strain. While he admitted His Worship was acting conscientiously in the interests of the city, yet he could not but think that the Mayor ought surely to have possessed confidence enough in his council to at least acquaint the chairmen of the Executive and the Waterworks of his course of action. It seemed to Ald. Shaw as if His Worship had made up his mind that there was not one single man in the Council that could be trusted.

Ald. Low asked His Worship what the exact position of affairs was. Would the city be liable for damages if the prosecution failed, and who would bear the expenses of the trials?

Mayor Howland said the city would have to pay its own expenses. The crown was the prosecutor, but the crown did not always pay all the expenses of criminal prosecutions.

All this time Ald. Defoe had been preparing some hot shot for His Worship. He declared that the Mayor's action said in so many words that there was not *one* man in this City Council that he could trust with grave city secrets. He did not dare trust our own City Solicitor. No. He went to the Attorney-General and laid the matter before that gentleman. Mr. Mowat is not our Solicitor; he is the Solicitor for the whole Province. "What position," asked Ald. Defoe, "did it place Mr. McWilliams in?" Why that gentleman stood to-day a degraded man, and he should at once send in his resignation. If I were in his position I would do so. However, I will vote for the money.

Ald. McMillan said there was no danger of the City Solicitor resigning. This was just a trap to catch that gentleman. The Mayor's course was perfectly justifiable, and he had acted in good faith. Ald. McMillan had just as much right to be taken into the confidence of the Mayor as either the chairman of the Executive or the Waterworks. The Mayor had acted perfectly proper.

Mayor Howland explained that he proceeded to a certain point in his investigation when he found there was no regular Crown Attorney in the city, Mr. Fenton's place having not yet been filled. He then consulted the Attorney General, who he considered to be the proper crown officer. Mr. Hugh McMahon was called in by the Attorney-General to assist in the prosecution. "I was particularly cautioned," continued His Worship, "to tell aught to no man. I did not intend to hurt the feelings of any gentleman in the council. I merely wanted to relieve you all of an unpleasant position and assume the whole responsibility myself."

Ald. Pepler could not but think that His Worship's action was derogatory to the dignity of the City Solicitor.

A vote was taken on Ald. Walker's amendment and defeated by a vote of 8 to 17.

In council Ald. Walker renewed his amendment and the yeas and nays were called for. The amendment was again defeated in this division:

Yeas;	*Nays.*
DEFOE,	CARLYLE, (St. T.)
WALKER,	CARLYLE, (St. A.)
PEPLER,	McMILLAN,
WOODS, J.,	STEINER,
JAMES,	MAUGHAN,
SHAW,	HUNTER,
SAUNDERS,	BARTON,
LAMB,	VERRAL,
DENISON,	ELLIOTT,
PIPER.—9.	FLEMING,
	LOW,
	MACDONALD,
	JONES,
	LAMB,
	JOHNSTON,
	ALLAN,
	DRAYTON.—17.

The Executive report was then put and carried.

The Impounded Books.

The motion applied for by Mr. Falconbridge, Q.C., on behalf of Mr. P. Burns to compel the police to give up the books seized by them at Mr. Burns' office the day of the arrests in the alleged coal conspiracy case came up before Mr. Justice O'Connor at Osgoode Hall yesterday at 11.30. Very little interest was manifested in the proceedings, and outside the lawyers and reporters there were not half a dozen persons present. Dr. McMichael, Q.C., was associated with Mr. Falconbridge for the motion and Mr. Hugh McMahon, Q.C., and Mr. Donald McCarthy, Q. C., resisted it. Dr McMichael characterized the action of Chief of Police Draper and Detective Reburn in going to Mr. Burns' office and seizing the books without any warrant or written order as wholly illegal and without precedent. Mr. Falconbridge argued that the books were not at present in the hands of the law at all, but merely with private individuals. Mr. McCarthy questioned His Lordship's jurisdiction over the Police Magistrate. Chief Justice Symons put in a lengthy affidavit, full of figures, to show that after he left the country Wm. Healey had doctored the books of Mr. Burns to cover up traces of fraud. Dr. McMichael handed in an affidavit made by Mr. Healey to the effect that Symons' statement was that the books had been doctored to cover up traces of fraud was not true. After Symons' departure Healey had found that the books had not been balanced, and that in some places the regular entries had not been made. Judgment will be given this morning by His Lordship.

The city's case against Mr. Burns and others, will be called this morning in the Police Court and the Dominion Government's case on Monday.

Street cars will be in waiting on the return of the Knights of Pythias postponed moonlight excursion this evening.

THE IRISH LAND PROBLEM.

A Solution Suggested as Practicable by the London Times.

LONDON, Aug. 18.—The Times speaking of the land problem in Ireland suggests that if it can be shown that in a certain limited class of cases, the fall of prices has made the position of the occupier of a property under the Land Act untenable, a remedy might be found, partly in a measure providing means for emigration and partly in a land purchase scheme on indulgent terms, to be applicable only to tenancies of such united class. The Government, if it should seriously meditate such a policy, would be bound to mitigate the pressure upon the tenants during the autumn by the promise of special consideration under the scheme of purchase to landlords, who are willing to reasonably abate the existing rents in cases within the scope of the remedial measure.

A Physician's Last Spree.

CHICAGO, Aug. 18.—Dr. Frank L. Trowbridge, who had lived in Chicago 14 years, coming here from Pennsylvania, walked up to a fruit stand at Fifth-avenue and Madison-street last evening and told the Italian in charge of the stand that he had just drank a glass of whiskey and beer and wondered if it would make him drunk. The Italian said it would not. The doctor turned away, and as he did so he saw Frank Packard, a young negro barber, who had just bought some fruit. "Clear out," yelled the physician, at the same time striking the barber. Packard turned and hit Trowbridge a blow behind the ear with his fist. The doctor fell to the ground, tried to rise, and fell back unconscious. He was taken to his office in the building in front of which he fell, and died in 10 minutes. Both the doctor and Packard were drunk. As far as known they had never seen each other before. Dr. Trowbridge was about 40 years old and unmarried. He lived with his parents in Twenty-ninth-street. He is said to have used both morphine and cocaine and to have heart disease. His physical condition is supposed to have had as much to do with his death as Packard's blow. Packard is 27 years old and married.

An Assassin Slain.

MONTEVIDEO, Aug. 18.—As the president of the republic was entering the theatre last night a miscreant fired a revolver almost point blank at his head. The ball entered the president's cheek, inflicting a slight wound. An infuriated crowd attacked the would be assassin and maltreated him so terribly that he died shortly afterwards.

The Deadlock in Quebec.

MONTREAL, Aug. 18.—Mr. McEachran, Chief Inspector of Live Stock for the Dominion, left for Quebec to-night to superintend operations at quarantine there. The doctor says the cattle will be kept there long enough to remove all possibility of infection before they are allowed to leave.

CABLE NOTES.

Preparations are being made to send large reinforcements to Burmah.

There is a shortage in this year's wheat supply in Great Britain of 60,000,000 bushels.

Vice-Admiral Lyons has been elected to succeed the Earl of Clanwilliam in command of the British squadron in North America.

Leo Druxer, one of the ablest journalists of Austria, fell from a window of a hotel at Interlaken last night and was killed. It is supposed he was a somnambulist.

A house in course of construction collapsed at Carlsruhe yesterday, killing eight workmen and injuring several others. The architect of the building has been arrested.

Viscount Cranbrook, Duke of Richmond, Earl of Lathom, Henry Matthews, Right Hon. Arthur James Balfour and Lord John Manners have been appointed a committee on agriculture.

The Channel fleet engaged in a sham attack on the forts at Milford Harbor last night. Admiral Hewitt was in command. The flotilla of torpedo boats, the incessant firing and scores of electric lights combined to form a brilliant spectacle.

Royal Hospitality.

Queen Victoria has her hands full making tea for every Tom, Dick and Harry of a Canadian who calls at Windsor Castle. A prominent Toronto man of unmistakeable Scotch lineage played the bagpipes for two hours at her request recently. Whenever she sees a Canadian wearing one of quinn's neckties she pronounces them both delightful and fascinating.

HER MAJESTY'S SPEECH.

NO CONTROVERSIAL SUBJECT TO BE DEALT WITH.

Sir Michael Hicks-Beach's Task in Ireland—Attitude of the Parnellites—Labouchere on the Tories' Lack of Policy—Only a Supply Session.

LONDON, Aug. 18.—The Standard says: "The Queen's speech will be empty of any statement of policy or matter leading to controversy. Although the opponents of the Government may raise a discussion over omissions, no one will be able to challenge a single proposition contained in the speech. Mr. Parnell may raise the rent question in order to keep the American extremists in good humor, but it must be the business of Sir Michael Hicks-Beach to disabuse the Irish of their belief in the omnipotence of boycotting as a means of whittling rents to zero. When he has done that, Irishmen will not be slow to avail themselves of the generous offers of the existent land purchase act."

Waiting for the Cat to Jump.

LONDON, Aug. 18.—The Times says: "It is somewhat curious, if Mr. Parnell means business, that seven of the leading Parnellites are either already absent or are arranging for an early departure from the scene of parliament. Probably Parnell is waiting to see how the cat jumps in America. It is no matter for surprise that while the Chicago convention is pending many of the separatist party are restless and uneasy."

The Coming Session of Parliament.

LONDON, Aug. 18.—Henry Labouchere says: "The final decision of the ministry to have a session merely for the estimates is one of those odious tricks which tend to show what contemptible courses a government must have recourse to which is dependent for its existence upon a weak alliance with those who profess upon all subjects except one to be in antagonism with it. Before the last parliament was prorogued, with a view to the general election, it was distinctly understood that there would be a bona fide autumn session. The then opposition in itself insisted upon a promise being given to call parliament together in August should the result of the election be put in doubt. With the verdict in favor of Mr. Gladstone, he might have remained in office; they have called parliament together to pass estimates, have not proceeded enunciating any Irish policy until next year but he deemed himself bound in honor either to resign or submit his policy to parliament not later than October. Little did he know the opponents with whom he had to contend. Having grabbed eagerly at office, their object is to retain it as long as possible without facing parliament with a policy. Their quarry has been run down; they want to enjoy the spoil, and on this, like vultures, they will fatten so long as they are not disturbed."

Russia will be Avenged.

MOSCOW, Aug. 18.—The Viedmosti says that the more Russia is forced back from Eastern Europe, the more she will devote her attention to Asia, where her task is far from completed. In regard to the occupation of Port Sazareff the paper says no protests or intrigues will prevent Russia from occupying a worthy position on the Pacific.

Her Majesty's Speech.

LONDON, Aug. 18.—The Queen's speech does not give promise of any legislation in the coming session of Parliament. It refers to the decision of the electors against an Irish parliament, points out the necessity of voting supply and makes the usual reference to English relations with other countries. The speech contains no specific reference to the Belfast troubles.

Hounding the Catholics.

BELFAST, Aug. 18.—Since the riots began here every Catholic workman has been hounded off Queen's Island, although prior to the disorders hundreds were at work there. In many large establishments of Belfast, also, Catholic employes have been forced to quit work.

Down Sixty Feet.

BRATTLEBORO, Vt., Aug. 18.—A mixed train on the Narrow Gauge road broke through a bridge one mile from here to-night. The engineer and one passenger were killed and seven others were seriously injured. The bridge, which was constructed of wood and iron, was sixty feet above the water, and the whole train went down with it, burying the engineer under the locomotive in fifteen feet of water.

A Terrible Death.

CLEVELAND, O., Aug. 18.—Ex-Councilman Thos. Reed met with a terrible death while returning this evening from a convention at Akron. While leaning from the platform of a car on the train his brains were dashed out against a girder on a bridge near Peninsula.

Forestry.

LONDON, Aug. 18.—The High Court of Foresters elected as High Chief Ranger to-day G. Proctor, Sarnia. Hamilton was chosen as the next place of meeting. On Aug. 1 there was $44,275 in the treasury and 4628 contributing members.

Kind to Klook.

CHICAGO, Aug. 18.—Ernest Klook, who, it was supposed was dead, returned yesterday and found his wife married and living happily with a man named Kind. He accepted $200 in full settlement of any claim on his wife and left the city.

The Travelling Growler.

From the Peterboro' Times.

We hear frequent reports of pedlars going through the country, more particularly north of us, selling whisky by the bottle and even by the glass. They are known as "commercial travelers" and are doing a thriving trade.

A Building Boom.

A $300,000 court house and a million dollar legislative building ought to give the building trade a boom.

Newsdealers and Subscribers are requested to provide boxes or paper slits in their doors; otherwise their Worlds will be exposed on the step for two hours or more and liable to be stolen. Our morning delivery is now so large that the carts and boys start out on their rounds at a very early hour.

OUR OWN COUNTRY.

Items of Interest Received by Mail and Wire.

The longshoremen employed at Montreal discharging vessels struck for 30 cents per hour and obtained it.

The Canada Pacific Railway Company have purchased a large property in the west end of Montreal, presumably for a depot, but nothing definite is known.

A Grand Trunk freight train of eighteen cars left Montreal for Chicago on Saturday forenoon, and accomplished the distance of 337 miles in 42 hours 21 mins.

In connection with J. C. Ayers & Co.'s trouble with the Customs officials, J. Y. Walkers was arrested yesterday forenoon. He will be tried for offering a bribe of $10,000. It is stated that the case will be fought to the end.

Numerous infractions of the game laws are reported to have occurred recently on the Ontario side of the Ottawa river, opposite Aylmer, where it is said pot hunters have already killed a great number of young ducks.

An action for heavy damages is said to be about to be taken against the corporation of Ottawa by a gentleman whose wife, a young woman, died a few days ago from the effects of a fall received on a defective sidewalk at the Chaudiere.

T. A. McKinnon, General Manager South-Eastern Railway, has been appointed successor to Mr. Egan, Superintendent of the western section of the Canadian Pacific, with headquarters at Winnipeg. Mr. Egan goes to the St. Paul, Minnesota and Manitoba Railway.

UNITED STATES NEWS.

The American Car Association met in ninth annual convention yesterday at Saratoga; fifty members were present.

An oil train on the Jersey Central last night parted into two pieces and 100,000 gallons of oil were burnt. Loss $80,000.

Three British schooners have been seized by the United States steamer Corwin for violation of the seal fishing in Behring Sea.

ENO THE EXILE.

Negotiations Afoot to Permit of His Return to New York.

QUEBEC, Aug. 18.—It is believed here that John C. Eno, the former president of the Second National Bank of New York, who fled to Canada some two years since because of mismanagement and supposed defalcations of the bank's funds, is making a great effort to arrange matters so that he may return to New York.

Since his arrival here Eno has been attempting to obtain some social recognition, with but indifferent success. He seems to have plenty of money and lives in one of the finest houses in the city.

Some days ago Mr. Bissell of Buffalo, former law partner of President Cleveland, and a son of Senator Evarts, with several other friends of Eno came here and held a long consultation. Bissell and Eno were classmates at Yale College and have been close friends ever since.

The party with Hon. George Irvine of Quebec, one of Eno's counsel and the most prominent lawyer here, took a trip up the Saguenay. It is said they were arranging a plan by which a mock prosecution in New York will be gone through with and Eno's friends will make good the money he now owes. Then he will return and live in New York.

THE PHOTOGRAPHERS' CONCLAVE.

Prices to be Raised and Work Executed on Improved Principles—A Fine Exhibit.

At yesterday morning's session of the Photographic Associations' convention in Richmond Hall general business was transacted. In the afternoon, at the invitation of four firms of dealers in photographers' stock, Alexander & Co., Ewing & Co., J. G. Ramsay & Co. and the Cobban Manufacturing Company, about 110 members of the association went to Lorne Park and enjoyed themselves. At the evening session the attendance was large. A lengthy discussion took place on prices. The almost unanimous feeling of the association was in favor of raising prices and improving work.

Votes of thanks were passed to American firms who sent collections. F. W. Guerin, of St. Louis, and J. F. Ryder, of Cleveland, display some fine specimens. The large photos by the latter artist are particularly fine.

The business of the convention will be wound up to-day. The election of officers takes place in the afternoon. In the evening a photo-stereopticon lecture will be given on the Egyptian Pyramids. The views are made by Dr. E. L. Wilson, of Philadelphia, and are of the best. In order to allow the public an opportunity to inspect the magnificent photographic display, the doors of the hall will be opened at seven o'clock, an hour before the lecture commences.

Capt. Fred Greene's Suicide.

The suicide of Capt. Fred. Greene of Montreal at Chateau Lamothe, in France, has been confirmed. Reports, however, are conflicting as to how the rash deed was accomplished. It is said by some that he shot himself, and by others that he cut his throat. Mr. John H. Wilkins, a warm personal friend of Mr. Greene's yesterday showed a World reporter a letter he had just received from the deceased. It was dated from the Hotel de la Paix, Madrid, Spain, July 29, 1886. The letter was quite cheerful, and in it Mr. Greene said he was going to Zerzes, 300 miles distant, the next day. Instead of going to that city he took passage for Bordeaux. In the letter he informs Mr. Wilkins that "he has a great deal to tell him if they are spared to meet." The only facts that are known of the tragedy is that Mr. Greene left the train at the little station of Chateau Lamothe and either shot himself or cut his throat on the platform.

A Crank With a Bottle of Chloroform.

A man named William Emmery, who lives in Dalhousie-street, made a foolhardy attempt to chloroform Mrs. Adelaide McAuley of Port Huron, as she was sitting in a waiting room in Union Station yesterday. Emmery, who is evidently a crank, was promptly arrested by G. T. Policeman Healey and locked up at Headquarters. Subsequently he was charged in the Police Court with administering poison to Mrs. McAuley and was remanded till to-day. While being taken from the court room he made a bolt down the front steps to Court-street. He got as far as Church and King-streets, where big Policeman Patterson nabbed him and forced him into the Black Maria, and he was then conveyed to jail. The outrage was a barefaced one, as the waiting-room was full of passengers at the time. A whole bottle of chloroform was found in his possession.

The Knights of Pythias had nothing to do with the rain on the civic holiday. They anticipate fine weather for their postponed moonlight excursion to-night.

Heated Grain and Warehouse Receipts.

The grain section of the Board of Trade met yesterday and discussed the question of heated grain in the elevators and the transfer of warehouse receipts. Resolutions were passed enjoining the owners of elevators and warehouses to report to the secretary of the board any indication of heating in the grain stored within them; and that the board keep strict watch of its condition and when necessary at once handle or elevate such grain under the direction of the grain inspector. Expenses incurred in such handling is to be a charge against the grain, to be paid by the owner promptly. This resolution was also passed: "That in future all warehouse receipts for grain, flour or other produce in store, sold f.o.c., the seller shall deduct the accumulated storage thereon from invoice at date of sale."

Demanding the Removal of the "London House."

A largely signed petition of citizens was presented to the council last night by Ald. Maughan, praying that the notorious tenement in Dorset-street, known as the "London House," be torn down. Several reasons were given in the petition why the building should be removed, among them because of its unsanitary condition and the low and vile class of people that make it a rendezvous. The petition says that as many as 50 people are housed in the place, that lights and drunken orgies are of nightly occurence, and that the neighborhood has insufficient police protection. The petition will be considered by the Local Board of Health. The building belongs to old man Bugg, who is well-known in the city.

A Great Alliance.

This entire Wild West Exhibition has, at an enormous expense, just been combined with the greatest of all tented exhibitions the great Forepaugh show, with its grand army of 1750 people, 1000 rare wild animals, 200 distinguished performers, four great circuses, four mammoth menageries, one monster museum, one huge hippodrome, one famous frontier show, with four special and superb railway trains; all exhibited beneath a colossal canvas canopied race track. The Toronto dates are Aug. 25 and 26.

The Mikado.

The Pavilion is nightly filled with good audiences who enjoy the excellent music and singing of the Mikado Company, now holding forth there. There will be a matinee on Saturday.

JOTTINGS ABOUT TOWN.

James Newberg was held at the Wilton-avenue Police Station last night on a charge of wife beating.

The Exhibition Committee have accepted the tender for refreshments in the main dining hall of Betts', the popular restaurant. Mr. Betts has the arrangements very complete, gas, hot water, etc., being supplied.

Rev. Canon Macbray of Winnipeg, was married at St. Stephen's Church, Tuesday, to Beatrice, fourth daughter of Sailor J. Vankoughnet, Q. C. Bishop Macbray of Rupert's Land, assisted by Bishop Sweatman and Rev. A. J. Broughall, performed the ceremony.

These animals have been recently presented to the Zoo: Garter snake, by Geo. E. Atkinson; mud turtle, Frank Murphy; an alligator, R. J. McKenzie; a menobranchus, W. Aykroyd; two herons, C. R. Reid of Grimsby; a rattlesnake, Peter Bettles of Medicine Hat, N.W.T.; four fantail pigeons, A. W. Smith; a heron, J. Nelson; two horned toads, J. H. Maguire.

THE CHICAGO CONVENTION

THREE THOUSAND IRISHMEN IN PARLIAMENT ASSEMBLED.

President Egan's Opening Address—Great Reception to the Delegates From Across the Atlantic—A Declaration of War if Necessary Received Tumultuously.

CHICAGO, Aug. 18.—Much speculation is indulged in as to the number of delegates that will be present at the opening of the Irish National League Convention to-day. Under the constitution as many as 2,500 may come, but it is questionable whether more than 1,200 will form the deliberative body. Of these New York will come in with about 200, Pennsylvania with 175 and Massachusetts with perhaps 100. Among the lesser delegations Louisiana, Minnesota and Nebraska figure with 30 each, and Iowa with about 40.

The train on the West Shore bearing Mrs. Parnell, the New Jersey and part of the New York delegation, arrived at 1.05 this morning. The party were met at the depot by a committee. Mrs. Parnell was accompanied by Joseph Atkinson, of the Newark Press, President of the New Jersey State League Union; the Rev. P. Corrigan of Hoboken, N. J.; ex-Mayor McGavish, James Gibson and County-Clerk McLoughlan, of Hoboken.

Patrick Egan, president of the league, opened the proceedings with a long address, welcoming the delegates, eulogising Mr. Gladstone, Mr. Parnell and his associates and denouncing the Tories. Since the Boston Convention $320,000 had been sent to Ireland from America to aid the cause.

The scene during the convention was a wonderfully impressive one. The reception of Davitt and the delegates from Ireland was tumultuous.

When Egan during his address said "peacefully if we can; otherwise if we must," the very galleries and roof seemed to shake with applause.

Judge Fitzgerald was elected chairman and Sutton secretary.

Alex. Sullivan offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the delegates from each State and Territory, from the District of Columbia and from Canada be, and they are hereby instructed, to report to the convention as soon as practicable a representative on each of the committees.

Resolved, That the Hon. Wm. O'Brien, Hon. John E. Redmond, M.P., Hon. John Deasy, M.P., leaders of the Land League—Michael Davitt—are hereby appointed members of the Committee on Resolutions as representatives of Ireland. The purpose of the appointment of our brothers from Ireland are two-fold; first, that their counsel may make it impossible to give expression to a word which would embarrass the Irish cause; second that the world may behold perfect unity of Irish and Irish-American sentiment.

The resolutions were unanimously adopted.

Among the committees elected were: John Corkerry, Ontario, and H. J. Crouyn, Quebec.

At 8.35 the hall was filled to overflowing, and as Judge Fitzgerald let fall the gavel a hush came over the convention, while the tall form of Michael Davitt was seen making his way to the stage. Davitt was called upon almost as soon as he entered the hall, and the audience cheered wildly. He rose to say that he had been heard often and would simply introduce his friend, Mr. O'Brien of the United Ireland. Davitt spoke of Mr. O'Brien in unstinted terms of praise as a patriot.

The scene that met the eye when Mr. O'Brien rose was another repetition of that uncontrollable enthusiasm which appeared to actuate the convention toward the personal representatives from Ireland. When the convention had become in a measure quiet, Mr. O'Brien, after returning thanks for the reception accorded the Irish delegates, declared that the battle for Irish freedom was not yet ended. There was in his view, a long and bitter struggle still ahead, and never in the history of the Irish race was there greater interest in the outcome than was centred now in this convention. The speaker, continuing in this strain, said, "We have to look to it now more than ever that you should be at our backs in the fight. If you only knew how they are straining over there for a rift in this tremendous convention to catch a word or a sign that Parnell is no longer a leader. Thank God you have answered that to-day. You have sent back the denial and shown that you are with Parnell and to the death." At this declaration there was a wild outburst of cheering, which continued several minutes.

At the Palmer House, on a large pasteboard placard, is pasted T. P. O'Connor's cablegram, in which that gentleman says that Mr. Finerty's speech and the address adopted at Ogden's Grove have done incalculable injury to the cause of Home Rule, both in the English and Scotch constituencies.

Bound to See the Races.

The train which leaves Hamilton at 12.20 and due at Toronto at 1.55, was delayed at the Humber bridge for over an hour yesterday by reason of a freight car being off the track at the bridge. On board were several Hamilton sporting men who were coming to the city to attend the Queen City Driving Club's meeting. Ald. Lillis, one of Hamilton's most popular citizens, was amongst them. All manner of devices were resorted to to reach the city. Some of the passengers hired yachts, while others tackled farmers' wagons. Ald. Lillis, bound to be at the Woodbine before the last bell rang, hired a brick-wagon to bring him to the city.

Toronto division No. 2 will parade at the E. P. hall in uniform to-night, and, headed by the band of the 10th, will march down Yonge-street to the Chicora, to take part in the Knights of Pythias postponed moonlight excursion.

Swallowed Half an Ounce of Carbolic Acid.

B. H. Crawford, a man of 60, living at 56 Frederick-street and employed as agent for the Metropolitan Insurance Company, attempted suicide yesterday by drinking a half ounce of carbolic acid. He left home in the morning apparently in good spirits. He returned about noon and locked himself up in his room, where he was shortly afterwards found in great pain, and with the half empty vial of poison beside him. The act may prove fatal. Mr. Crawford's family cannot account for the attempt. He is a man of a cheerful disposition and is pretty well fixed for money.

The National Leaguers.

At the weekly meeting of National Leaguers in St. Vincent de Paul's Hall last evening, $40 was announced from the patriotic Wendoverians of Prescott county to go to the National fund. The calm and statesmanlike utterances of Mr. Davitt at Chicago was warmly endorsed. A large gathering is expected at the next meeting, when the delegates from the Chicago convention will present their report.

Ventilating King-Street West.

Alderman Defoe says that when the Provincial Government remove the Asylum and the Dominion Government cause the King-street railway crossing to be "ventilated" by a subway, the property in the neighborhood will at once increase in value 100 per cent. and the city will move right in.

The Knights of Pythias postponed moonlight excursion takes place on the Chicora this evening. Boat leaves Yonge-street wharf at 8.30 and 10.30 p. m.

The Don Improvements.

The City Council last night, without discussion, ordered a first and second reading of the bylaw providing for the improvements and widening of the River Don, at an estimated cost of $300,000. The freeholders of the city will be asked to ratify or refuse the bylaw by their votes on Sept. 18 next.

It's Wonderful!

—At a sale in Paris a month ago a picture by a celebrated artist fetched an enormous figure; it was an ornament (not useful); in Toronto a useful and valuable household requisite is putting the "Paris Beauty" in the shade, and can be seen at Strathern's, 179 Yonge-street; it's a "wringer" below cost, call and ask the price. x

THE TRUNK SEWER.

A Message From Mayor Howland and a Report From the Experts.

Mayor Howland last night presented to the City Council this message re the trunk sewer:

"*Gentlemen of the Council:* I beg to submit herewith a memorandum from the Trunk Sewer Commission with regard to the proposed rate of progress of this work. By this method of construction I feel certain the annual increase in assessment will meet the interest payment required yearly.

"I also submit an estimate from the treasurer showing the addition to the city taxation, which will result from the construction of the trunk sewer at the rates respectively of 3 per cent., 4 per cent. and 4 per cent. per annum.

"I am inclined to urge that the rate of interest on the sewer loan should not exceed 3 per cent.:

"1. Because the work being a permanent one it is only fair that a heavier portion of the burden should be thrown on the years to come when the ability will be greater to bear it.

"2. Because I believe the city of Toronto has nearly dollar for dollar of assets to meet its indebtedness, and should therefore be able to sell its 3 per cent. debentures at a comparatively high price.

"3. Because the total addition to the taxation which will not be wholly reached until 1892-3 and will not be over ½ mill on the dollar of the present assessment, including the sinking fund, so that if our assessment continues to increase at the present rate the construction will not be felt at all. W. H. HOWLAND, Mayor."

The following is the report of Messrs. McAlpine, Tully and Sproatt referred to:

"The work should be prosecuted as follows: viz., during the first year the intercepting sewer on Front-street and a thousand feet of the one for the combined sewage along the upper end of the new proposed cut for the Don, and also a narrow channel of fifty feet width to the lake, should be done, costing in all $300,000.

"This much work will temporarily and for a few years entirely correct the existing evils arising from the discharge of the sewage of the city into the harbor. The Front-street sewer as herein designed will for several years be of sufficient size to convey the sewage and much of the storm water of the city from Garrison Creek and east thereof to the new outlet of the Don.

"During the second year the intercepting sewers on Gerrard-street and from the Rosedale valley, costing about $200,000, should be built.

"And finally, the completion of the new channel of the Don to its full width of 200 feet, and of its side and entrance protection, and also of the extension of the main sewer in and into the lake, should be done during the third and fourth years, viz., about $250,000 for each of these years.

"The work on the new channel of the Don, except the dredging, and that on the main sewer of metal and its pile foundation south of Front-street can be prosecuted winter and summer, but the masonry of the intercepting sewers can only be built when the temperature is above freezing.

W. G. McALPINE,
KIRK TULLY,
C. SPROATT.

"*Toronto*, Aug. 3.

Treasurer Harman submits the sums that the expense of each of the four sections of the complete sewer will add to the taxation yearly. The amounts under the different headings include both interest and sinking fund, and will extinguish the whole debt within the forty years covered by the debentures:

No. of Issue.	Year of Issue.	Amount.	Annual Rate for Interest and Sinking Fund.			
One	1886-87	$300,000	At 3 per cent. Interest	$9,000	$12,000	$15,000
			Sink. F.	2,250	2,250	2,250
				$11,250	$12,750	$14,250
Two	1888-89	$200,000	Interest	$6,000	$8,000	$8,000
			Sink. F.	1,500	1,500	1,500
				$7,500	$9,500	$9,500
Three	1890-91	$250,000	Interest	$7,500	$9,750	$10,000
			S. Fund	1,875	1,875	1,875
				$9,375	$10,625	$11,875
Four	1892-93	$250,000	Interest	$7,500	$8,750	$10,000
			S. Fund	1,875	1,875	10,075
				$9,375	$10,625	$11,875

Only a few tickets left for the Knights of Pythias postponed moonlight excursion this evening. Barlow Cumberland, H. D. Murdock & Co., J. H. Remnants, Tasker & Son, Osborn's News Depot, and members of the order have them for sale. All tickets previously purchased will hold good.

An English Dead Beat Comes to Grief.

Thos. H. Newmarch, an English dead beat with half a dozen aliases, has been imposing upon good-natured citizens for some weeks past. He is of the shabby genteel class, and makes good use of a persuasive address and manners and considerable education. He was charged in the Police Court yesterday with obtaining money by false pretences. There was doubt of his guilt and Magistrate Denison sent him to the Central Prison for six months, where he will have an opportunity to earn his living as honestly as circumstances will permit.

Removal of the Asylum.

Ald. Defoe's special committee on the removal of the Provincial Lunatic Asylum met yesterday and appointed a sub-committee consisting of Ald. Maughan, Barton, Crocker and Defoe to confer with City Engineer Sproatt on the question. The engineer will be asked to prepare an accurate plan of the asylum grounds and buildings and to submit a plan for dividing the ground into building lots.

Chiefs Pakan and Samson.

The two Indian chiefs, Pakan and Samson, were again on exhibition last night in Spadina-avenue Methodist Church. The building was crowded to the doors. Rev. Dr. Sutherland presided. A big collection was taken up. The chiefs delighted the many ladies present by philosophising and singing in the Indian tongue. Rev. John McDougall and Rev. Thos. Griffiths made addresses.

The Knights at Lindsay.

The Knights of Labor advertise a big demonstration at Lindsay on Saturday of this week, not less than 7000 visitors being expected, one-fourth of whom will be from Toronto. The run to Lindsay is a pleasant one; the fare has been put at a dollar, and the special attractions for the day are numerous and novel.

The Inspection of "C" Company.

Gen. Middleton and Capt. Wise, A.D.C., arrived in town yesterday and are the guests of Col. Otter at the New Fort. The General is on his annual inspection visit, and "C" Company has been working hard for some time past in order to meet with favorable criticism. The company will be inspected to-day.

A Boy Run Over on Yonge-street.

A boy named Charles Mason, living at 362 Yonge-street, was run over by a wagon on Yonge-street near Carlton at 6.30 last evening, and badly hurt about the head. The driver,